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COKE ASKS W.O. SMITH RETRACT

Bar Association 'Politics' Has
Aftermath in Letter Object-
ing to Interview

"Being conscious of no disgraceful nor creditable conduct at the meeting of the Bar Association referred to, your failure to retract the statements accredited to you by the Star-Bulletin, if you are correctly reported, will compel me to ask the appointment of a committee of the Bar Association to investigate the charges which you have made and ascertain whether I am guilty of disgraceful conduct, or whether you are guilty of unjustly accusing me thereof."—Letter from James L. Coke to W. O. Smith.

"The term 'disgraceful' which I used is perhaps too harsh to be applied to those Democratic members who did not directly participate in the intemperate exhibition of party politics, and respecting these I merely regret their failure to disapprove it. Only to this extent were my remarks intended to include Mr. Coke."—In letter from W. O. Smith to the Star-Bulletin.

Public retraction of statements by W. O. Smith regarding the meeting of the Bar Association last Monday afternoon has been asked by Attorney James L. Coke, in a letter written to Mr. Smith under date of December 17. Mr. Smith characterized the conduct of the Democratic members of the Bar Association at the meeting as "disgraceful" and in his letter Mr. Coke takes strong exception to being included in the characterization.

The letter was made public today shortly before noon, at which time Mr. Coke had had no answer to the letter to Mr. Smith written on Tuesday.

Later in the day the Star-Bulletin received a communication from Mr. Smith on the subject. Both letters are published in full below.

The warmth of feeling stirred up during and after the bar association meeting has shown no signs of subsiding. On the contrary, local attorneys today are discussing with great emphasis and freedom the alleged inflection of politics into the meeting. Republican and Democratic members each charging the other party with responsibility.

Mr. Coke insists that he, a candidate for endorsement as United States attorney to succeed R. W. Breckons, took no part in the meeting except to vote, and declares that Mr. Smith's statement in the Star-Bulletin on the day following the meeting "casts an unjust aspersion upon my self as well as upon other Democrats present."

Coke Asks Retraction.

In his letter to Mr. Smith, Attorney Coke says:

Honolulu, December 17, 1912.
Hon. W. O. Smith, City.

Dear Sir: In the issue of The Star-Bulletin of this date you are credited with the statement that "the conduct of the Democratic members of the bar association at the meeting held yesterday afternoon was disgraceful."

I am a Democrat and was present at the meeting of the bar association during part of its session, withdrawing before my own application for endorsement came up for consideration. I took no part in the meeting of the association other than to vote, and am conscious of having committed no

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BAND CONCERT TONIGHT AT THE MOANA HOTEL

The Royal Hawaiian Band will give a concert tonight at the Moana Hotel, to which the public generally is invited.—advertisement.

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2 COMPANIES OF COAST ARTILLERY ON JANUARY BOAT

Tenth and Sixty-eighth Will Be
Stationed on Oahu Within a
Month—War Secretary Em-
phasizes Importance of Pearl
Harbor

The base at Pearl Harbor, Hawaii, is of greater strategic importance for the protection of the entire Pacific coast from attack than any of the positions on that coast now so strongly fortified. No naval enemy could make a serious effective attack upon any portion of the American Pacific coast unless it had first reduced the position at Oahu, threatening its flank. Quarters for the men who are to protect the great stores, naval material and seacoast guns from falling into the hands of land attackers should be pushed to completion as rapidly as possible. —Extract from annual report of Secretary of War Stimson.

The 10th and 68th companies of coast artillery have been ordered to Honolulu and will arrive here on the January transport. This information is published in the San Francisco Examiner of Dec. 13, and as orders had already been issued when the news was chronicled, it is considered authentic at headquarters of this department, although to date no official word has been received as to the coming of additional troops.

News that two more companies of coast artillery are to be rushed here in less than a month has created quite a stir in military circles. Their coming, however, is in line with recommendations of the department commander and the recent defense board, that the big guns at Fort Kamehameha and the battery and mine station at Fort Armstrong, be immediately manned, and the only surprise expressed is that no official notice of the orders has been received.

The department faces a serious problem, however, in the quartering of these two companies in the immediate future. There is good camping ground at Fort Kamehameha, but the water supply is short, the small detachment now stationed there depending on a 4-inch pipe line owned by the Hawaiian Dredging Co. for its needs. It is thought that there is not enough water for two full companies under the existing arrangement. Fort Armstrong is almost too small for a camping ground, so it looks as though the newcomers would be put under canvas at Fort De Russy for the time being.

The question of tentage is also a stickler. The coast artillery has no regular issue of canvas, unless ordered into the field, and unless the two companies are provided with tents before sailing, they will have

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W. W. HARRIS IN LINE FOR JOB WITH DEMOCRATS

W. W. Harris, whose defection from Republican ranks was one of the day's sensations during the height of the last political campaign, is to be handed a fairly fat job with the Democrats, according to information that was given the Star-Bulletin today on Democratic authority.

According to this report, Harris is slated for the job of chief clerk in the road department. It is stated that the road department is due for a big shake-up, that Caldwell, the present overseer, is to be retired and other Republican employees will also feel the axe. Harris is said to be one of those who will probably be put in with the new administration after the first of the year.

While the campaign was at its height a few weeks ago, Harris mounted the soap-box at Bethel and King streets and harangued the crowd, denouncing Gov. Frear, alleged domination of "big interests," and making in particular a bitter attack on the appointment of H. K. Bishop as superintendent of public works.

A member of the board of supervisors, when asked today concerning the appointment of Harris, said that his name has been brought before the supervisors, but that no decision as to filling the position has been made.

KAMEHAMEHA HONORS ITS FOUNDER'S MEMORY SINGS SONGS PRINCESS BERNICE PAUHAH LOVED

KINGSBURY IS PRESIDENT'S MAN FOR JUDGESHIP

Name of Maui Jurist Sent to
Senate for Confirmation —
Mauitites Ticked by Taft's
Move

(Special Star-Bulletin Cable)

WASHINGTON, Dec. 19.—President Taft this morning sent to the Senate the name of Judge Selden B. Kingsbury, to be judge of the Second Circuit in the Territory of Hawaii. A significant feature of this action by the President is that Judge Kingsbury's term of office does not expire until after that of others, whose names have not yet been submitted to the confirming body.

C. S. ALBERT.

News of the nomination of Judge Kingsbury was received with a great deal of pleasure and not a few smiles, by attorneys and businessmen of Honolulu this morning. The fact that his nomination was sent to the senate prior to that of Judge Parsons was generally taken to mean that "some one is getting mighty busy back on the mainland," as one lawyer put it. It is generally believed that the opposition to Judge Kingsbury's appointment will end with his nomination by the president, but several members of the bar association pointed out this morning that the Democrats in Washington have asserted their intention of "holding up all nominations sent by Mr. Taft," and the fear is expressed that messages will be sent from this city to the national capital, urging this policy in regard to Kingsbury.

"Well, well," said Judge A. A. Wilder, when told this morning of the president's action in sending Judge Kingsbury's name to the senate, "that's just about what I expected. As a matter of fact, if they had had an open ballot the other day at the bar association meeting a good many of the men who were yelling for Kingsbury would have had to stand by their words instead of talking one way and voting another, as a lot of them did. An open ballot would have assured the endorsement of Kingsbury, as I said at the time."

Whether the so-called South Carolina gang will keep up the fight against Judge Kingsbury, now that his nomination has gone to the senate, I cannot say. I should be inclined to believe not, but that is outside my ken."

When John Waterhouse was told of the nomination of Judge Kingsbury, he seemed delighted. "We Mauitites have been fighting for him all along."

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MILVERTON RAPS FOES OF LATEST PLUMBING LAW

Deputy City and County Attorney Milverton this morning wrote an indignant letter to the board of supervisors, anent the remarks credited to Attorney J. A. Mazon, regarding the proposed plumbing ordinance, which passed the third reading of the board at the noon session held yesterday. Mr. Milverton refrained from saying that Mr. Mazon was guilty of distortion of facts maliciously, but he intimates that the attorney knew better than to make some of the statements he is credited with.

The letter follows:

To the Honorable Mayor and Board of Supervisors of the City and County of Honolulu:

Gentlemen: In this morning's Pacific Commercial Advertiser appears a report which I assume to be correct, of the proceedings had at the meeting of the board of supervisors held yesterday noon. From that report it appears that Mr. J. Alfred Mazon, who appeared to oppose the new plumbing ordinance, made several statements relative to the old law which is to be superseded, that calls for some reply. According to the report, Mr. Mazon stated that the old plumbing ordinance was drawn by me

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Rain Fails to Spoil Opening
Celebration of the Twenty-
Fifth Anniversary of the Fa-
mous Schools — Queen Too
Ill to Attend

Ancient songs of Hawaii-
ne and chants once the delight of Princess
Bernice Pauahi Bishop were sung by
the boys and girls of the Kamehameha
schools this morning in honor of the
twenty-fifth anniversary of the found-
ing of their school. The memorial ex-
ercises were held in the Nuuanu
Mausoleum. The crowds of students
and friends of the institution, stood
with bared heads while the songs were
sung and the ceremonies rendered
dear by the custom of a quarter of a
century were observed. The Queen
was reported too ill to attend.

About five hundred people, includ-
ing students and former students of
the three schools, and their friends
were there to honor their Alii. The
singing of the students was under the
direction of their teachers.

Girls Head March
Promptly at 10 o'clock the cadets
from the manual department, in their
uniforms with white gloves, stationed
themselves before the main gate of
the burial grounds. The girls in
white, led the marching line into the
grounds under the strain of a funeral
march, played by the Hawaiian band.

The Preparatory boys, in white and
blue caps, followed. Then came the
cadets from the manual department.
Lieutenant Turney, military instructor
of the schools, with Cadet Major Ka-
kai, leading the school battalion,
entered the grounds. As soon as the
cadets had taken their positions, sig-
nals were given by Musical Director
Anders to sing the famous song of
Pamahi.

Before the students arrived at the
gate, it was thought that the exercises
would be halted by the rain. But,
contrary to expectations the weather
cleared up as the students entered
the grounds.

"Tabu Stick" at Tomb

On one side of the tomb, which was

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TONNAGE TAX PLAN REFERRED TO BUSINESSMEN

James Wakefield's recommendation
that a tonnage tax system be devised
whereby the territorial warves and
landings be made self-sustaining was
approved unanimously by the board of
harbor commissioners yesterday after-
noon.

His report, as a committee of one
to investigate this question, was ad-
opted and the commission voted to
carry out his recommendations, which
are briefly as follows:

"That the whole available data on
the subject of wharf income, wharf
expenses, and wharf construction, be
submitted to the Honolulu Chamber of
Commerce, the Merchants' Association
the Hilo Board of Trade, the Maui
Chamber of Commerce, the Kohala
Club League, the Kona Improvement
Club and the other business organiza-
tions throughout the territory, with a
request that they present to the board
of harbor commissioners suggestions

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HOSPITAL SELLS M'CULLY TRACT FOR \$60,000

For sixty thousand dollars, paid in
Hilo railroad 6 per cent. bonds, the
Queen's Hospital corporation has sold
to the Guardian Trust Co., Ltd., the
McCully grant lands, comprising a lot
at Kalia containing 29,781 square feet
and lots A, B and C of the McCully
tract containing respectively 10.77
acres, 29.26 acres and 35.59 acres, the
whole aggregating about 146 1/2 acres,
but with the following exceptions: Por-
tions of the lands conveyed by the
McCully Land Co., Ltd., to the Terri-
tory of Hawaii, interests in pieces
covered by the Waikiki Land & Loan
Co., Ltd., to the Honolulu Rapid
Transit & Land Co., Ltd., and twenty-
five specified lots in six blocks of the
McCully tract. The sale is subject to
subsisting leases on the lands.

IMMIGRATION BOARD WORRIES OVER CHARTER

Uncertain Whether Bill Will Al-
ter Arrangements for Next
Shipload from Southern Eu-
rope

Wireless news that the Burn-
ett-Dillingham immigration bill
had passed the House, coupled
with mail news that Hawaii is
not exempted from the literacy
test for immigrants, has caused
prompt action on the part of the
territorial board of immigration.
A cablegram was sent to Wash-
ington by the board this morn-
ing, to inquire whether the char-
ter of the steamer Willesden
just made to bring out 1600 Por-
tuguese and Spaniards would be
affected by the bill in the event
of its becoming a law at an early
date.

"The board has cabled to Washing-
ton to ask if the Willesden charter
would be affected by the bill," said
Ernest H. Wodehouse, president of
the board of immigration, in answer
to a question regarding the telegraph-
ic news.

"Of course we hope that the law, if
it passes, will not affect the immigra-
tion of Europeans to Hawaii already
under way. It will take some time for
the bill to pass succeeding stages and
receive the approval of the Presi-
dent."

"Still, it is a serious condition that
confronts us, with the charter con-
cluded and part of the charter money
paid. A hundred and thirty-seven
thousand dollars is a good deal of
money to risk."

"The boat will not sail until some
time in February, and consequently
will not be here until some time in
April. Perhaps the date fixed for the
law to come into effect will be far
enough along to save us from any
trouble relative to the Willesden
people."

Waldron Hopeful.

"I do not believe that passage of
the Dillingham Immigration bill would
affect the arrangements we have al-
ready made for another shipment of
immigrants from Southern Europe,"
said Fred L. Waldron this morning,
when asked for his opinion.

"Of course there are a good many
things in one of those laws which a
layman is not qualified to speak up-
on," he proceeded, "but surely the
law will not be retroactive, and as
we shall have our laborers here by
the end of April, before the law will
go into effect, it seems improbable
that we will feel it at all with this
importation."

"So far as I know," he continued,
"the Board is doing nothing to fight
the immigration bill. All that was
possible was done at the last session,
and there remains nothing more that
we can do. I believe the Delegate
will do all in his power to defeat the
bill when it comes up in the Senate,
and there are other interests which
will, I understand, also oppose the

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FIVE DESERT TOKAI MARU

Five sailors, all Japanese, made a
spectacular attempt to desert their
post of duty in the freighter Tokai
Maru last evening with the result
that four are at the present time im-
mated of the steel-bound brig in the
steamer, while one continues to wan-
der at liberty.

Harbor Officer Carter was called to
the distressed skipper's aid early this
morning. Carter was given detail de-
scription of the missing men, and he
soon found a trail leading to the Ka-
nehameha school grounds where one
Japanese was enjoying a free-for-all
picnic.

Three other would-be deserters were
hounded up before they had covered
much distance from the ship.

The Tokai Maru arrived here some
days ago from Moji, Japan, with a
shipment of coal consigned to the lo-
cal quartermaster department.

Shortly after dark last evening the
men knocked off work and when seen

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MILLIONS ALMOST IN GRASP OF ROBBERS

SIERRA PEOPLE REMEMBER
LEPER STATION CHILDREN

Eddie Fernandez, ex-represen-
tative and moving picture man, is
a passenger on board the Si-
erra bound for San Francisco.
There was a concert on board
the Sierra last night, and Fer-
nandez has sent the following
message to the Star-Bulletin, by
wireless to San Francisco and
then by cable here:

"Concert Sierra for benefit of
children of Kailhi Receiving Sta-
tion Christmas gift. Fifty dol-
lars received."

The Christmas spirit seems to
have been strong aboard the Si-
erra.

BANKS CAN NOT CONTROL MONEY ASSERTS MORGAN

(Associated Press Cable)

WASHINGTON, Dec. 19.—J. P.
Morgan, the New York banker and
financier, was again before the Pu-
jol committee investigating the so-
called money trust this morning. In
answer to questions he declared that
all the "banks in the world could not
control the movements of money." He
also denied the vast power ascribed
to him, through his control of nearly
26 billions of dollars. In explaining
his attitude toward combination he
declared that he "preferred it to com-
petition in the banking business." He
estimated the deposits in his private
bank at something like one hundred
millions of dollars.

TAFT URGES BIG U. S. BUILDING FOR THE FAIR

(Special Star-Bulletin Cable)

WASHINGTON, Dec. 19.—President
Taft in a message to Congress today
urged the appropriation of \$2,000,000
to be expended upon the Federal
building at the world's fair in San
Francisco, in 1915. It is believed that
this suggestion will be favorably ac-
cepted by Congress.

PRESIDENT TO LEAVE TONIGHT FOR THE CANAL

(Associated Press Cable)
WASHINGTON, Dec. 19.—President
Taft and his suite will leave Wash-
ington tonight for the south, where
he will go aboard a battleship for the
Panama canal, which he desires to
inspect once more before going out
of office. He believes that the work
is now sufficiently well advanced to
give him a good idea of just what the
canal will look like when finished.

FIND BODY OF NEWSPAPERMAN

(Associated Press Cable)

LOS ANGELES, Dec. 19.—The body
of Chester Lawrence, the newspaper
man and former sporting writer for
the Los Angeles Examiner, was pick-
ed up at sea today. Lawrence was de-
tailed to accompany Aviator Kearney
in the latter's attempt to fly from
this city to San Francisco, over the
ocean. The hydro-aeroplane was
wrecked in some manner, and part of
it recovered by a tug. The body of
the aviator has not been recovered.

Secret Service Men In The Colorado City Unearth Gi- gantic Conspiracy In Nick Of Time— No Arrests Made As Yet—Would-Be Bandits Unknown To Police

(Associated Press Cable)

DENVER, Colo., Dec. 19.—Just in
the nick of time United States Secret
Service men, stationed here, today
unearthed a plot to destroy the Gov-
ernment mint here, with dynamite,
and get away with a large part of the
five hundred millions of money that
is stored temporarily in the vaults of
the building.

The officials are refusing to di-
vulge any of the details of the plots,
other than that the Secret service op-
erators were led to the discovery by
accident, and that in another twenty-
four hours the conspirators would
have pulled off their coup, and es-
caped with large sums of the funds
being held here. As yet no arrests
have been made, and the authorities
admit that they have no clue to the
identity of the dynamiters.

AVIATOR DROPS EXPLOSIVES ON BESIEGED CITY

(Associated Press Cable)

ATHENS, Greece, Dec. 19.—Dis-
patches from the Greek army besieg-
ing the city of Janina, announce that
a Greek aviator has been successful
in dropping bombs within the city.
The reports state that the town is
terrorized by the impossibility of re-
sisting this form of attack and that
the damage done has been immense.
Several of the more important build-
ings are reported to have been prac-
tically destroyed, and fires started
that swept large tracts of the city
clear of houses. It is believed that
one of the results of this attack will
be to hasten the surrender of the town
and the effect upon the peace negoti-
ations in London, it is stated, will be
great.

TURKS' ANSWER COMING LONDON, Dec. 19.—When the plen- ipotentiaries met this morning it was announced that information had been received by the Turkish envoys that the answer of the Porte to their re- quest for additional instructions re- garding the admission of Greece to the conference, is now on the way and will reach here probably tomor- row. The meeting lasted half an hour and the envoys then adjourned.

AVIATOR FLIES FROM TUNIS BAY TO SICILY ISLE

(Special Star-Bulletin Cable)

TRAPANI, Sicily, Dec. 19.—One
hundred and sixty miles over seas
from the Bay of Tunis on the north
coast of Africa, to a point near here,
on the coast of Sicily is the record
established by Garros, the aviator, to-
day. The birdman started early this
morning from Tunis, and made his
flight without engine or other trouble.
The weather was ideal for the attempt,
in spite of which the strain left Gar-
ros almost prostrated, when he was
taken from his machine.

CONGRESS ADJOURNED

(Associated Press Cable)

WASHINGTON, Dec. 19.—Congress
adjourned today for the Christmas
holidays. Many of the Congressmen
and their families will remain here
over the holidays, however, as there
is a great amount of committee work
to be done.